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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended) A fibrous structure comprising a surface comprising a fiber and a fiber flexibilizing agent system comprising a fiber flexibilizing agent and an opacity increasing agent wherein the net change in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from the fiber flexibilizing agent system is greater than the net change in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from the individual components of the fiber flexibilizing agent system.

Claim 2 (Currently amended) The fibrous structure according to Claim 1 wherein the fibrous structure further comprises fiber ~~comprises~~ a cellulosic fiber.

Claim 3 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 1 wherein the fiber flexibilizing agent is selected from the group consisting of humectants and plasticizers.

Claim 4 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 3 wherein the plasticizer comprises a polyhydroxy compound.

Claim 5 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 4 wherein the polyhydroxy compound comprises polyethylene glycol.

Claim 6 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 5 wherein the polyethylene glycol has a weight average molecular weight of from about 100 to about 500 g/mol.

Claim 7 (Cancelled)

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Claim 8 (Currently amended) The fibrous structures according to Claim 17 wherein the opacity increasing agent is selected from the group consisting of: particulates, pigments, fillers and mixtures thereof.

Claim 9 (Currently amended) The fibrous structure according to Claim 17 wherein the opacity increasing agent is selected from the group consisting of: clay, calcium carbonate, titanium dioxide, talc, aluminum silicate, calcium silicate, alumina trihydrate, activated carbon, pearl starch, calcium sulfate, glass microspheres, diatomaceous earth, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 10 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 1 wherein the increase in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from the fiber flexibilizing agent system is 0.05% points greater than the net increase in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from individual components of the fiber flexibilizing agent system.

Claim 11 (Currently amended) The fibrous structure according to Claim 17 wherein the fiber flexibilizing agent and the opacity increasing agent are present in the fiber flexibilizing agent system at a weight ratio of from about 2:1 to about 100:1.

Claim 12 (Original) The fibrous structure according to Claim 1 wherein the fiber flexibilizing agent is present in the fibrous structure at from about 2% to about 30% by weight of the fibrous structure.

Claim 13 (Currently amended) The fibrous structure according to Claim 17 wherein the opacity increasing agent is present in the fibrous structure at from about 0.02% to about 15% by weight of the fibrous structure.

Claim 14 (Original) A single-ply or multi-ply sanitary tissue product comprising a fibrous structure according to Claim 1.

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Claim 15 (Currently amended) A method for making a fibrous structure, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) providing a fibrous structure comprising a surface;
- b) contacting the surface of the fibrous structure with a fiber flexibilizing agent system comprising a fiber flexibilizing agent and an opacity increasing agent such that the net change in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from the fiber flexibilizing system is greater than the net change in opacity of the fibrous structure resulting from the individual components of the fiber flexibilizing agent system.

Claim 16 (Cancelled)

Claim 17 (Original) A fibrous structure made by the method according to Claim 15.

Claim 18 (Original) A single-ply or multi-ply sanitary tissue product comprising a fibrous structure according to Claim 17.